THE

RULES

OF THE

EAGLE BOWMEN,

INSTITUTED IN THE YEAR M.DCC.XCIII.

PRESENTED BY
MUSEUM
S.S.B.
BRITANNICUM
LADY BANKS.

S. S. Banks 1794.

RULES.

I.

THAT the Number of Members be limited to thirty-five.

II.

THAT no Member ſhall be admitted but by Ballot, and two black Balls ſhall be a Negative.

III.

THAT the Name and Addreſs of every Candadite propoſed and ſeconded, ſhall be ſtuck up in the Society Room at leaſt fourteen Days previous to a Ballot; and that there ſhall be an intervening Shooting Day between the propoſing a Candidate and the Ballot.

IV.

THAT every Member ſhall ſubſcribe the Rules of the Society on or before the Second EAGLE DAY after he ſhall have been elected, otherwiſe his Election ſhall be void.

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V.

THAT Members withdrawing from the Society, ſhall ſignify the ſame by writing to the Secretary, or by Motion at a Meeting of the Society for that Purpoſe.

VI.

THAT no Candidate ſhall be propoſed to ſupply a Vacancy, on the Withdrawing or Death of any Member, until the next Shooting Day after the ſame ſhall have been announced to the Society: And in caſe there ſhall be more Candidates propoſed than there are Vacancies, the Order of ballotting ſhall be governed by Lot.

VII.

THAT every Member ſhall pay an Annual Subſcription of Five Guineas; the ſame to be paid into the Hands of the Treaſurer on or before the Firſt Shooting Day of the Seaſon, and ſhall alſo pay an Admiſſion Fee of Two Guineas.

VIII.

THAT the Fund ſhall be applicable to all the Expences of the Society, including therein the Prizes to be ſhot for, and Refreſhments as well on weekly Shooting Days as Eagle Days.

IX.

IX.

THAT the Uniform ſhall be as follows: viz. The Coat to be plain green, ſingle Breaſt, three Buttons at the Bottom of the Sleeve, the Sleeve without a Peak; the Waiſtcoat and Breeches to be white, the Buttons to be gilt with an Eagle engraved thereon; black Hat, Button and Loop, with black ſtiff Oſtrich Feather; white Stockings; half Boots or Gaters; and buff Belt and Pouch with green Taſſel.

X.

THAT the Members ſhall appear in their Uniform Coat on every Shooting Day, and in full Uniform on EAGLE DAYS.

XI.

THAT the Buſineſs of the Society ſhall be tranſacted at every weekly Meeting between the Hours of Three and Five, except on EAGLE DAYS, when no Buſineſs ſhall be tranſacted.

XII.

THAT five Members ſhall be a Quorum for all Buſineſs Purpoſes, other than the Alteration of any of the Rules of the Society.

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THAT there be an annual Dinner, at the Expence of the Members attending, on the Second Saturday in the Month of March.

XIV.

THAT a Preſident, Treaſurer and Secretary ſhall be choſen before Dinner, by Ballot, at the annual Meeting of the Society; and that a Committee of five Members be alſo in the ſame Manner choſen.

XV.

THAT the Shooting Days ſhall be every Monday, from the Firſt Monday in the Month of April to the Laſt Monday in September, both incluſive, unleſs the Firſt Monday in April ſhall happen to be in Eaſter Week, in which Caſe the Shooting Days ſhall not commence till the following Monday.

XVI.

THAT there ſhall be three annual EAGLE DAYS, viz. The Firſt Shooting Day of the Seaſon; the Firſt Shooting Day in June (not

(not being the King's Birth-day); and the Firſt Shooting Day in Auguſt, on which Days the Shooting ſhall continue from Twelve o'Clock to Three, and from Four to Seven.

XVII.

THAT on every EAGLE DAY there ſhall be three Prizes, to be awarded as follows, viz:

THE principal Prize on the Firſt and Third EAGLE DAYS to the Captain of Numbers at the Target, and on the Second EAGLE DAY to the moſt ſucceſsful Shooter at the Long Length.

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THE Second Prize on every EAGLE DAY to the Member who ſhall ſtrike the EAGLE from the Perch; and

THE Third Prize on every EAGLE DAY to the Captain of Numbers at the Blazoon.

XVIII.

THAT no Shooter ſhall be competent to win the Principal Prize, as Captain of Numbers at the Target, two ſucceeding Times of ſuch Prize being to be ſhot for; and no Shooter ſhall be competent to win the Principal Prize as the moſt ſucceſsful Shooter at the Long Length, two ſucceſ-

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ſive Times of ſuch Prize being to be ſhot for.

XIX.

THAT in caſe of Diſputes reſpecting the Shooting or Awarding the Prizes, the ſame ſhall be determined by the Preſident, or, in his Abſence, by the Senior Member preſent.

XX.

THAT no Member ſhall introduce more than one Viſitor on an EAGLE DAY, and no Viſitor at any Time be permitted to ſhoot.

XXI.

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THAT ſix Honorary Members only be admitted, ſubject to the ſame Rules as to their being propoſed, and ballotted for as is provided for other Members.

XXII.

THAT Honorary Members ſhall pay five Shillings every Time they attend, and not be ſubject to any further Demand.

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THAT Honorary Members ſhall wear the Uniform of the Society.

XXIV.

THAT no Member, or Honorary Member, ſhall be competent to ſhoot for a Prize unleſs he be dreſſed in the Uniform of the Society.

XXV.

THAT no Member ſhall be competent to ſhoot for a Prize, unleſs his Subſcription for the current Year ſhall have been paid.

XXVI.

XXVI.

THAT all Wagers made ſhall be for the Benefit of the Society.

XXVII.

THAT the Names of Members, whoſe Subſcriptions ſhall not have been paid before the Second EAGLE DAY, although the ſame ſhall not have been applied for, ſhall, on that Day, be ſtuck up in the Room of the Society, and there continue till the ſame ſhall be diſcharged.

XXVIII.

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THAT a Committee of five (of whom three to be a Quorum) be appointed annually, by Ballot, to provide a Shooting Ground and Rooms, Targets and all other Requiſites for the Uſe of the Society, give Orders for Refreſhments, fix the Prizes for EAGLE DAYS, paſs the Treaſurer's Accounts, and give Orders reſpecting any other Matters not ſpecially provided for.

XXIX, AND LAST.

That no Rule ſhall be altered, or new Rule made, without Notice of a Motion to

to be made on a Shooting Day for that Purpoſe, and ſuch Notice being ſtuck up in the Society Room two Shooting Days at leaſt previous to its being made, and not to be made unleſs there be nine Members preſent.

Members of the Society of Eagle Bowmen instituted July 1. 1793.

Lord Aylesford.
Lord Grey de Wilton.
Lord Craven.
Sir Watts Horton.
Mr. Froward.
Mr. T. Palmer.
Mr. W. Palmer.
Mr. Glen.
Mr. Elwin.
Mr. Repington.
Mr. Coker.
Mr. Maddocks.
Mr. Bullock.
Mr. Philipson.
Mr. Gedge.
Mr. Finch.
Mr. Anderson.

} Original Members. No. 17.

Eagle Bowmen.

Members nominated.

Mr. Henry Cowper — by Lord Aylesford.
Mr. William Horton — by Sir Watts Horton.
Mr. Howarth — by Mr. Froward.
Mr. Pitcairn — by Mr. J. Palmer.
Mr. W. Cowper — by Mr. Wm Palmer.
Mr. Wm Peacock — by Mr. Glen.
Mr. Baber — by Mr. Elvin.
Mr. Horsford — by Mr. Repingt.
Mr. Shepherd — by Mr. Coker.
Mr. Girdlestone — by Mr. Anderson.

Hon.ble Henry Fitzroy Elected by Ballot 1.st July 1793.

Honorary Members.

Mr. Thackeray
Mr. Dod.